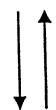
FIG.1

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G-G-A-A-C-T-C-T-A-A-A-G-G-G-A-G-X
[SEQ. ID NO: 4]



X-C-C-T-T-G-A-G-A-T-T-T-C-C-C-T-C G-G-A-A-C-T-C-T-A-A-G-G-G-A-G-X

FIG.2

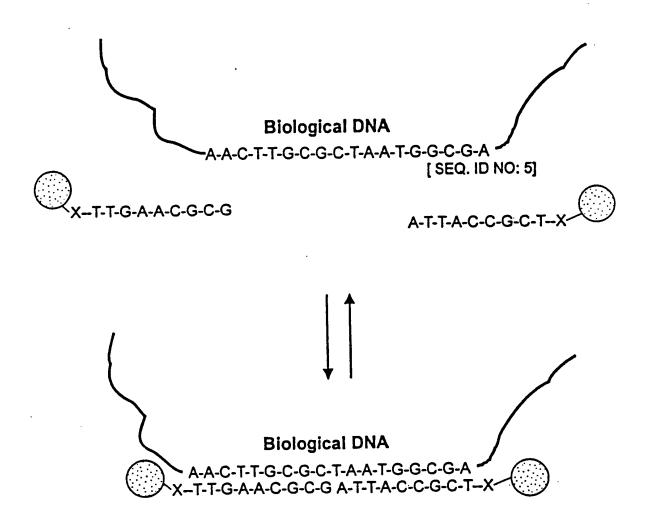
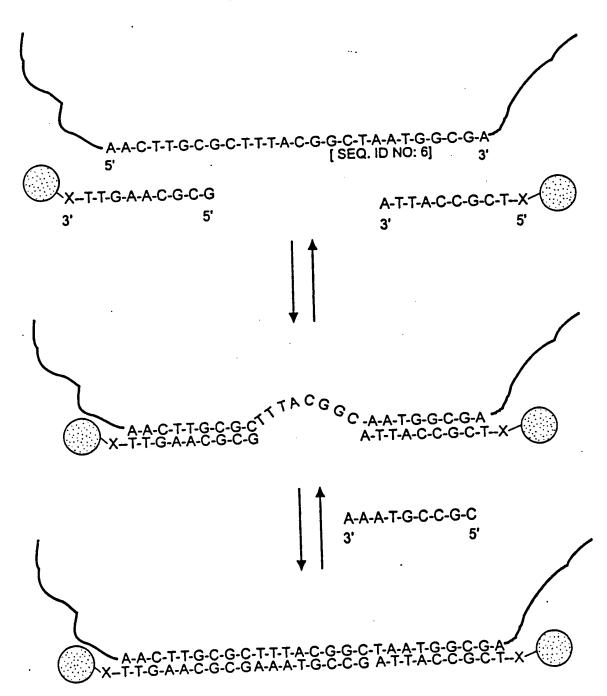


FIG.3



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Linking oligonucleotide A-T-G-G-C-A-A-C-T-A-T-A-C-G-C-G-C-T-A-G
A-T-A-T-G-C-G-C-G-A-T-C-T-C-A-G-C-A-A-A
id No: 21/ 3' 3' 5' [SEQ. ID NO:1] [SEQ. ID NO: 2] FIG.4

X-T-A-C-C-G-T-T-G

A-G-T-C-G-T-T-X-5

Colloids

Heat Mix below Tm

Aggregate

3' 3' 8-T-G-G-C-A-A-C-T-A-T-A-C-G-C-G-C-T-A-G A-G-T-C-G-T-T-T-X-X-T-A-C-G-T-T-G A-T-A-T-G-C-G-C-G-A-T-C-T-C-A-G-C-A-A-A-A-3' 5' Stand below Tm Heat

Precipitate (formed by further cross-linking)

FIG.5 Au nanoparticles Modification with Modification with 3' thiol TACCGTTG 5' 5' AGTCGTTT 3' thiol Addition of linking DNA duplex 5'ATGGCAAC TITTTCAGCAAA 5' Further oligomerization and settling

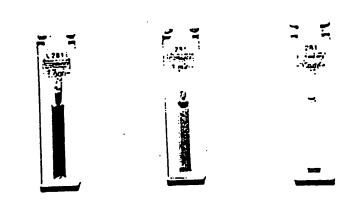
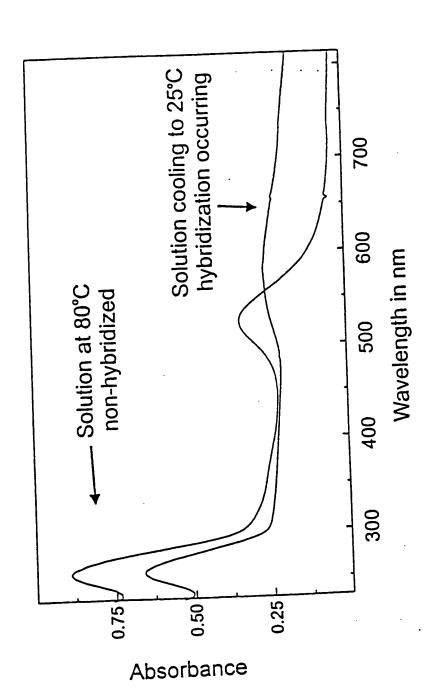


FIG.6A FIG.6B FIG.6C

FIG



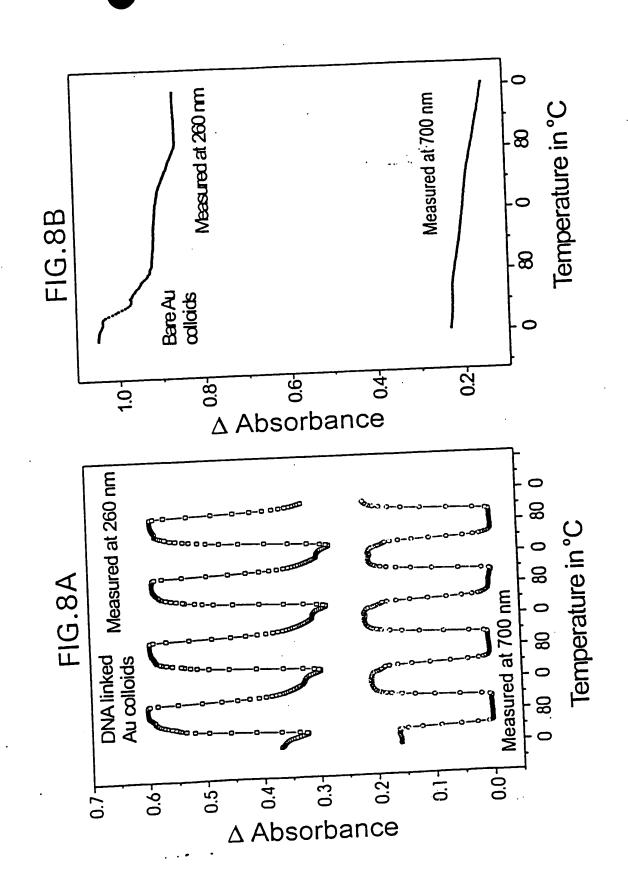




FIG.9A

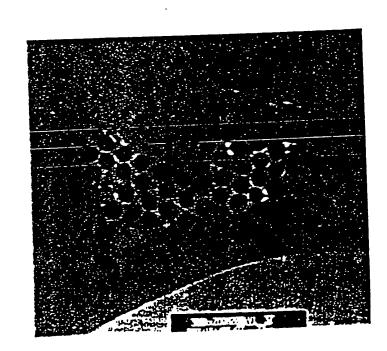
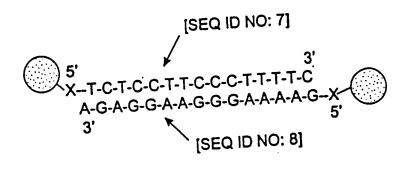


FIG.9B

FIG.10



3' T-C-T-C-C-T-T-C-C-C-T-T-T-C 5' [SEQ ID NO: 9]

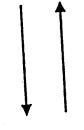


FIG.11

_[SEQ. ID NO: 10]

S-A-T-G-G-C-A-A-C-T-A-C-G-C-G-C-T-A-G-A-G-T-C-G-T-T-T 3'

T-A-C-C-G-T-T-G-A-T-G-C-G-C-G-A-T-C-T-C-A-G-C-A-A-A-S
5'
3'
[SEQ. ID NO: 11]



T-A-C-C-G-T-T-G-A-T-A-T-G-C-G-C-G-A-T-C-T-C-A-G-C-A-A-A-S >s-A-T-G-G-C-A-A-C-T-A-T-A-C-G-C-G-C-T-A-G-A-G-T-C-G-T-T-T

FIG.12A Complementary Target [SEQ. ID NO: 14] [SEQ. ID NO:12] 3' T-C-G-T-A-C-C-A-G-C-T-A-T-C-C T-T-T-G-C-T-G-A-G-A-T-C-G-C-G 5' A-G-C-A-T-G-G-T-C-G-A-T-A-G-G-A-A-A-C-G-A-C-T-C-T-A-G-C-G-C [SEQ. ID NO:13] FIG.12B **Probes without Target** T-T-T-G-C-T-G-A-G-A-T-C-G-C-G 3' T-C-G-T-A-C-C-A-G-C-T-A-T-C-C FIG.12C Half Complementary Target 3' T-C-G-T-A-C-C-A-G-C-T-A-T-C-C T-T-T-G-C-T-G-A-G-A-T-C-G-C-G 5' A-G-C-A-T-G-G-T-C-G-A-T-A-G-G-A-T-G-G-C-A-T-A-C-G-C [SEQ. ID NO: 15] FIG.12D Target - 6 bp 3' T-C-G-T-A-C-C-A-G-C-T-A-T-C-C T-T-T-G-C-T-G-A-G-A-T-C-G-C-G 5' G-T-C-G-A-T-A-G-G-A-A-A-C-G-A-C-T-C-T-A-G-C-G-C [SEQ. ID NO: 16] FIG.12E One bp Mismatch 3' T-C-G-T-A-C-C-A-G-C-T-A-T-C-C T-T-T-G-C-T-G-A-G-A-T-C-G-C-G 5' A-G-C-A-T-G-G-T-TG-A-T-A-G-G-A-A-A-C-G-A-C-T-C-T-A-G-C-G-C [SEQ. ID NO: 17] FIG.12F Two bp Mismatch 3' T-C-G-T-A-C-C-A-G-C-T-A-T-C-C T-T-T-G-C-T-G-A-G-A-T-C-G-C-G 5' A-G-C-A-T-GTTTTG-A-T-A-G-G-A-A-A-C-G-A-C-T-C-T-A-G-C-G-C ~[SEQ. ID NO:18]

FIG.13A

transparent substrate

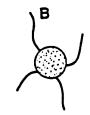
Modified DNA chemisorbed onto solid substrate

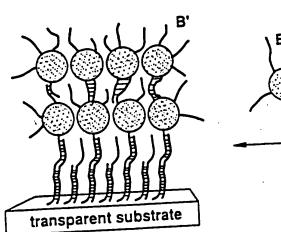
Analyte DNA

transparent substrate

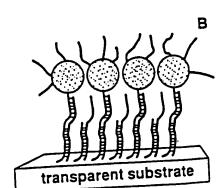
Analyte DNA hybridized onto substrate

DNA modified colloids

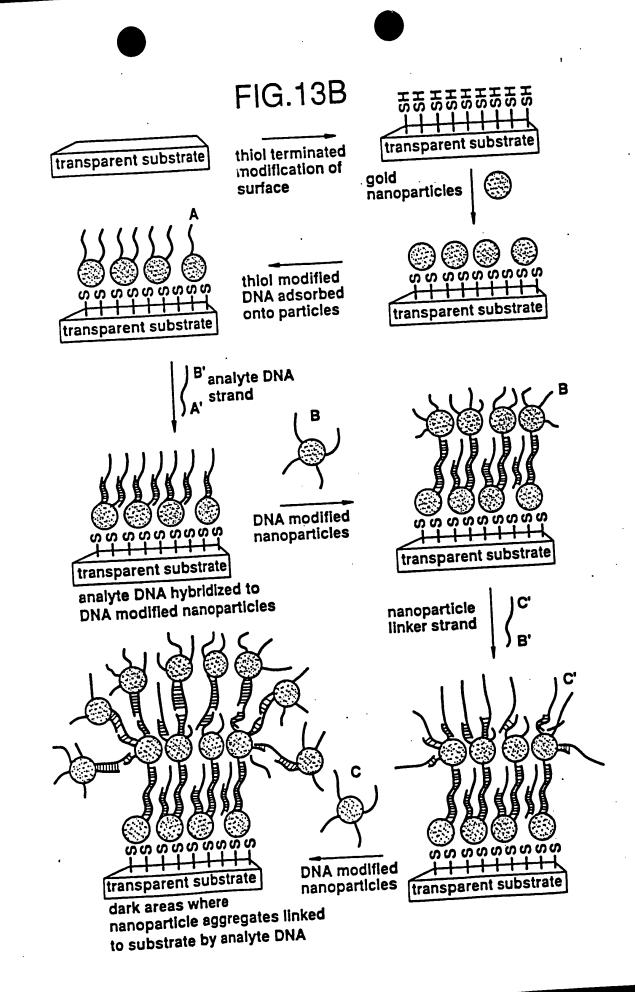


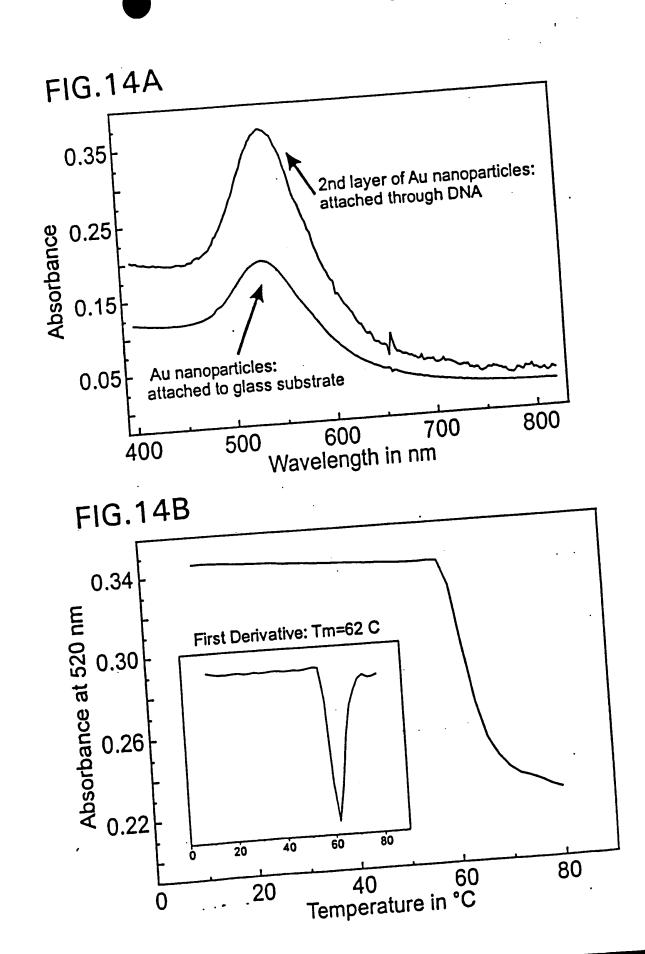


Dark areas where nanoparticle aggregates are linked to substrate surface by analyte DNA



DNA modified colloids hybridized to bound analyte DNA





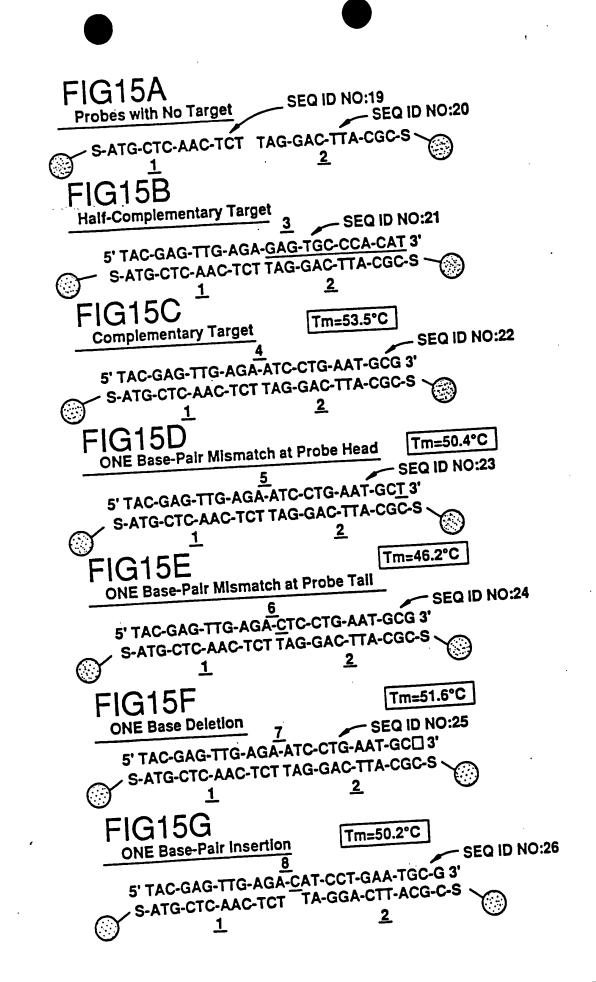


FIG. 16A 24 Base Template

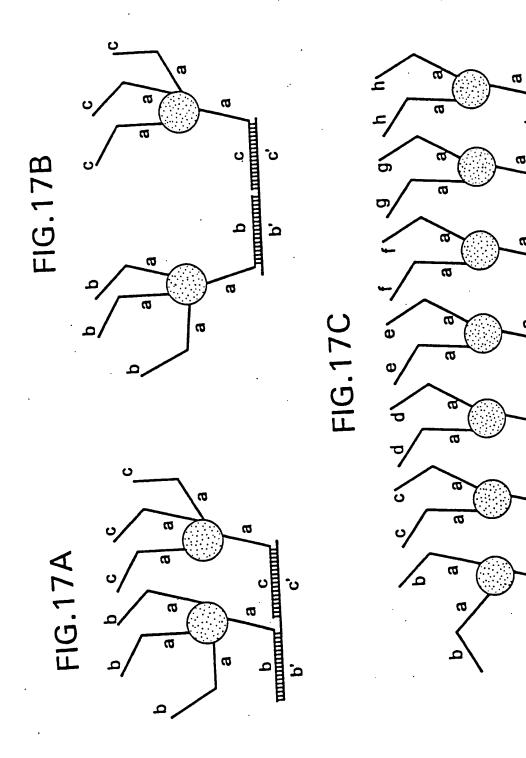
5' TAC-GAG-TTG-AGA-ATC-CTG-AAT-GCG 3'
S-ATG-CTC-AAC-TCT TAG-GAC-TTA-CGC-S --

48 Base Template with Complementary 24 Base Filler FIG.16B

72 Base Template with Complementary 48 Base Filler FIG.16C

5' TAC-GAG-TTG-AGA-CCG-TTA-AGA-CGA-GGC-AAT-CAT-GCA-TAT-ATT-GGA-CGC-TTT-ACG-GAC-AAC-ATC-CTG-AAT-GCG 3'

S-ATG-CTC-AAC-TCT GGC-AAT-TCT-GCT-CCG-TTA-GTA-CGT-ATA-TAA-CCT-GCG-AAA-TGC-CTG-TTG TAG-GAC-TTA-CGC-S --



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FIG.17D

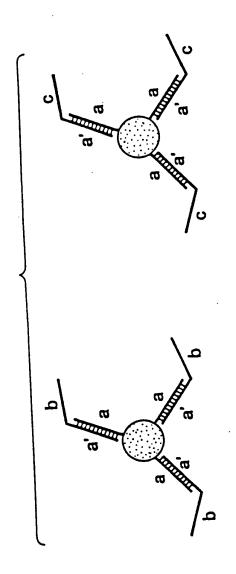
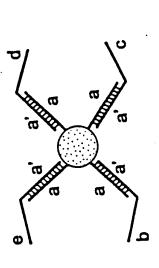


FIG.17E



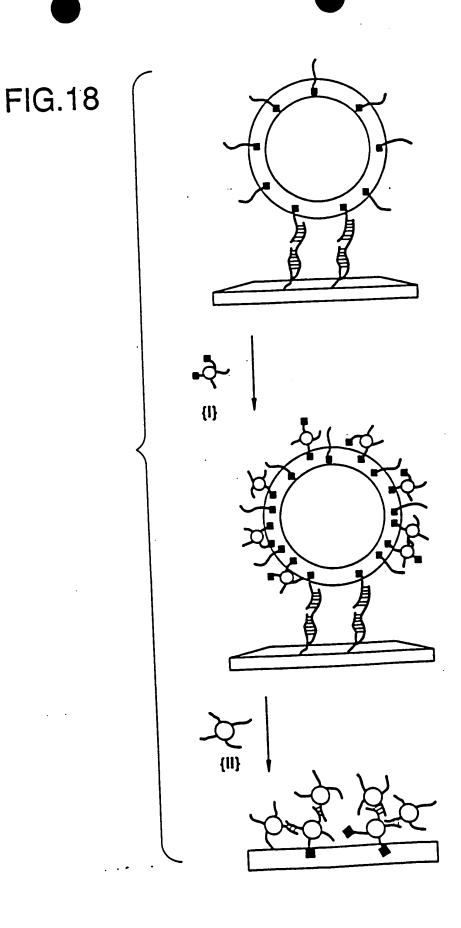
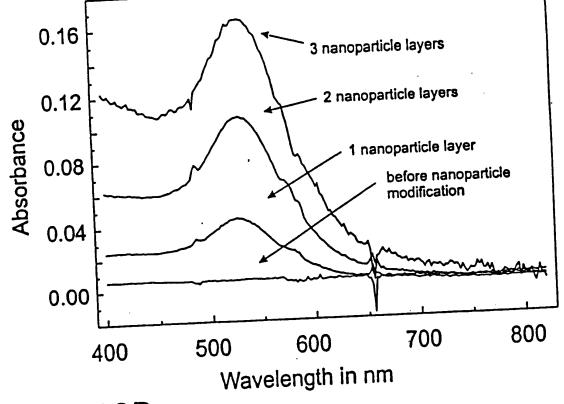
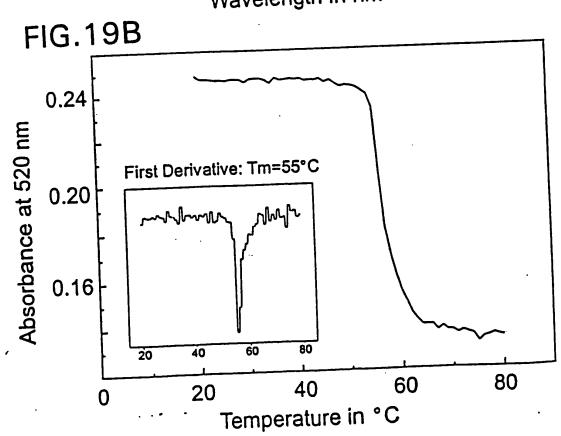
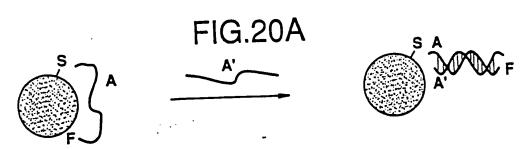
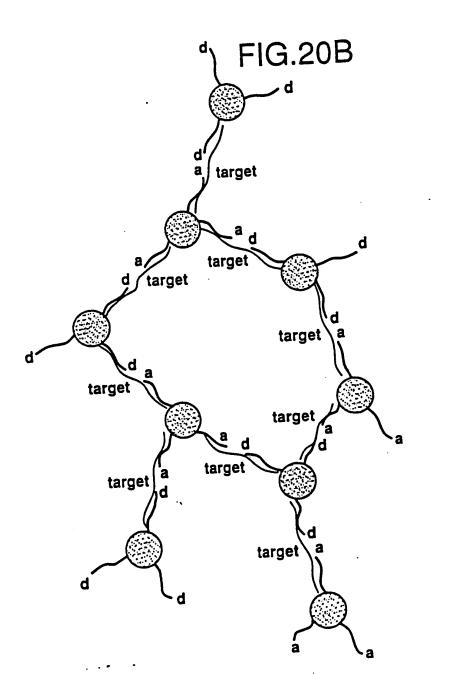


FIG.19A 0.16 3 nanoparticle layers 2 nanoparticle layers 0.12



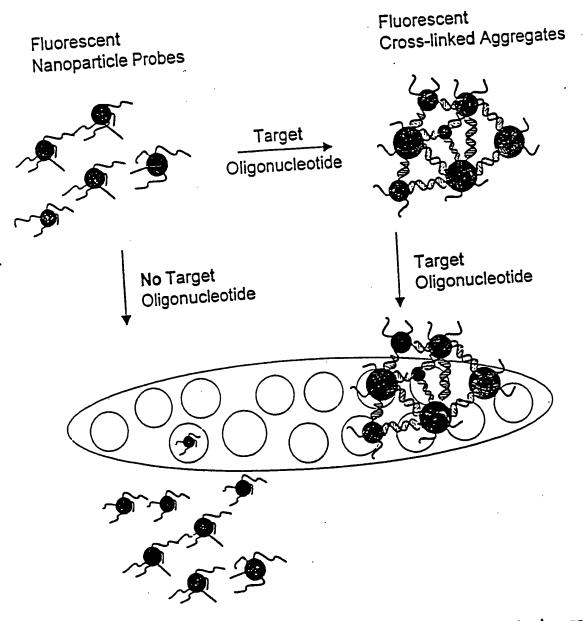






Au/Latex hybrid Fluorophore labeled Oligonucleotide oligonucleotide modified modified Au latex probes nanoparticle probes **Target** Oligonucleotide Pink/Non-fluorescent White/Fluorescent Red Target No Target Oligonucleotide Oligonucleotide 0000 0 Excess Au probes pass through All Au probes pass membrane through membrane

> FIGURE 21



The fluorescent nanoparticle probes pass through the membrane

The fluorescent cross-linked aggregates are retained by the membrane

Anthrax PCR Product

5'G GCG GAT GAG TCA GTA GTT AAG GAG GCT CAT AGA GAA GTA ATT AAT 3'C CGC CTA CTC AGT CAT CAA TTC CTC CGA GTA TCT CTT CAT TAA TTA

TCG TCA ACA GAG GGA TTA TTG TTA AAT ATT GAT AAG GAT ATA AGA AAA AGC AGT TGT CTC CCT AAT AAC AAT TTA TAA CTA TTC CTA TAT TCT TTT

ATA TTA TCC AGG GTT ATA TTG TAG AAA TTG AAG ATA CTG AAG GGC TT 3'
TAT AAT AGG TCC CAA TAT AAC ATC TTT AAC TTC TAT GAC TTC CCG AA 5'

141 mer Anthrex PCR product [SEQ 10 NO:36]

3' CTC CCT AAT AAC AAT

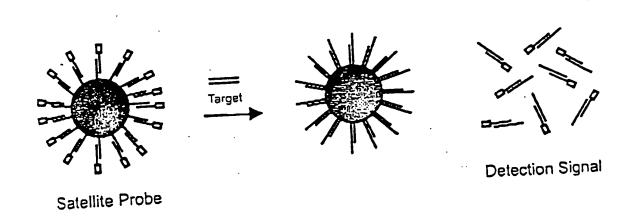
3' TTA TAA CTA TTC CTA ID NO'. 38]

Oligonucleotide-Nanoparticle Probes

Blocker Oligonucleotides

3'C CGC CTA CTC AGT CAT CAA TTC CTC CGA GT [SEQ ID NO:39]
3'A TCT CTT CAT TAA TTA AGC AGT TGT [SEQ ID NO:41]
3'TAT TCT TTT TAT AAT AGG TCC CAA TAT [SEQ ID NO:41]
3'AAC ATC TTT AAC TTC TAT GAC TTC CCG AA [SEQ ID NO:42]

FIGURE 23



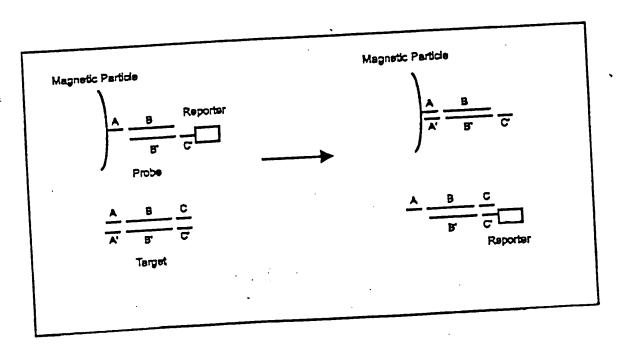


FIGURE 24

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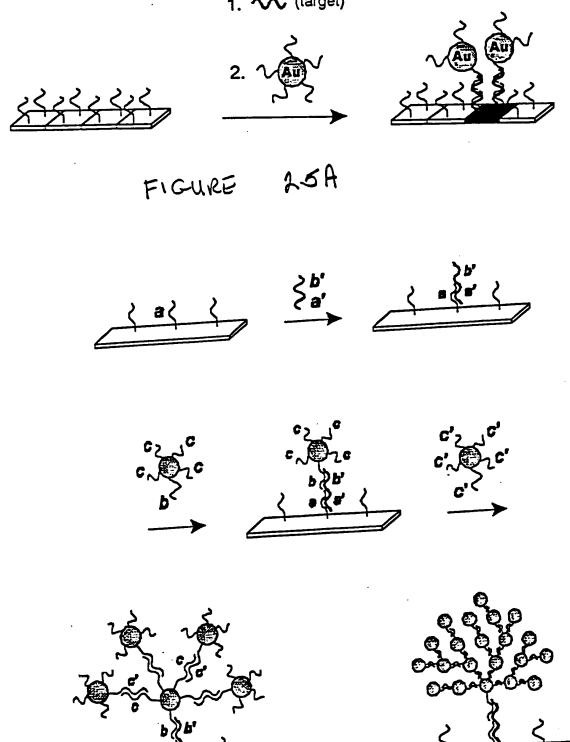
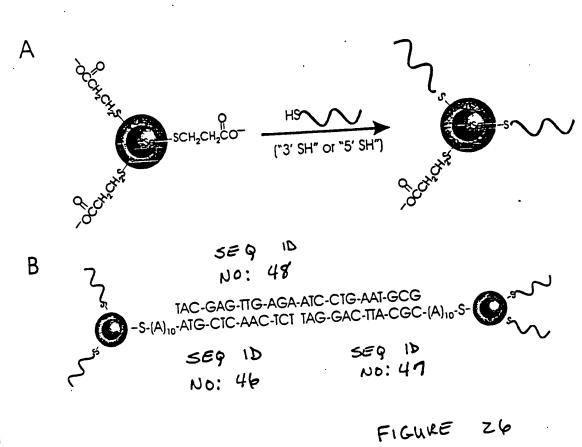
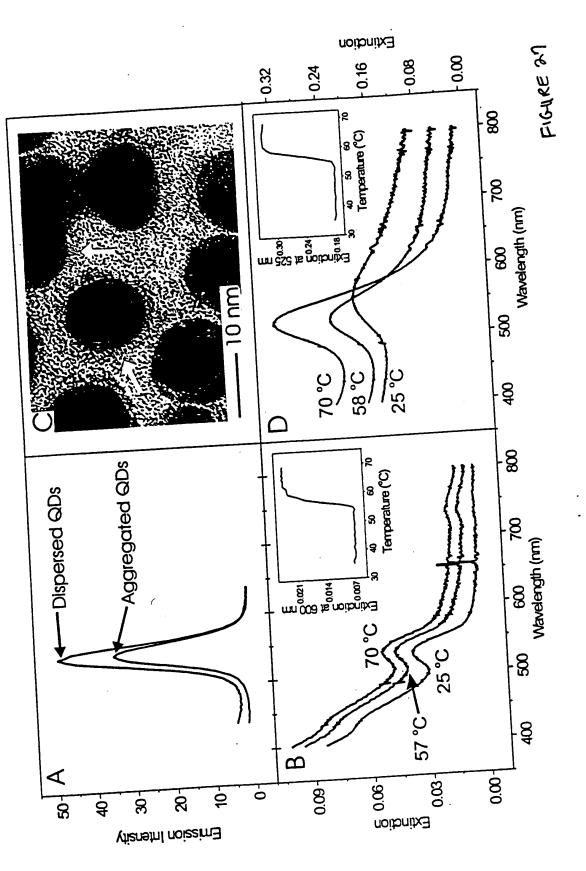


FIGURE 25 B



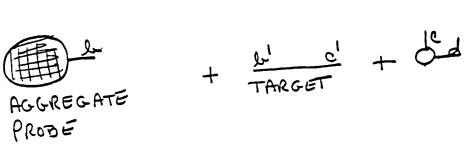


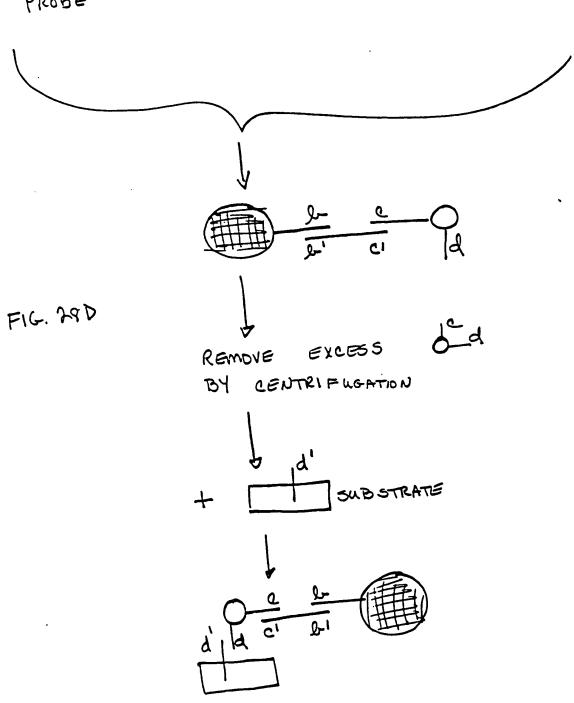
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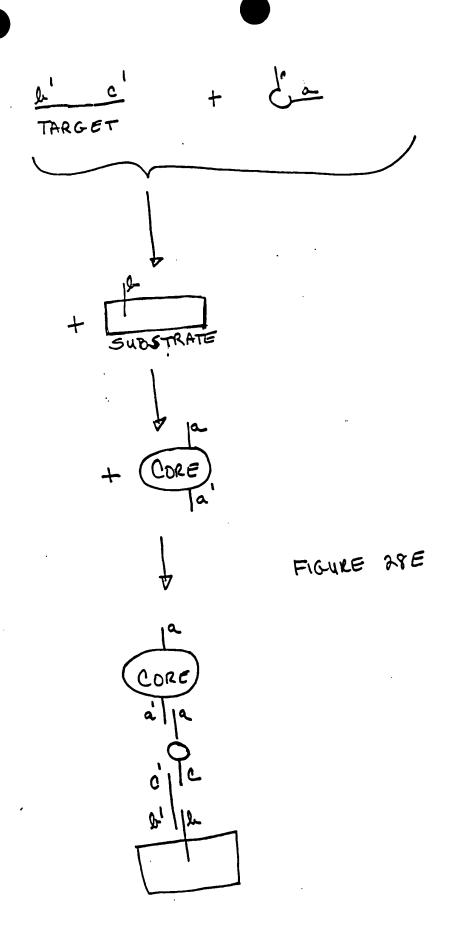
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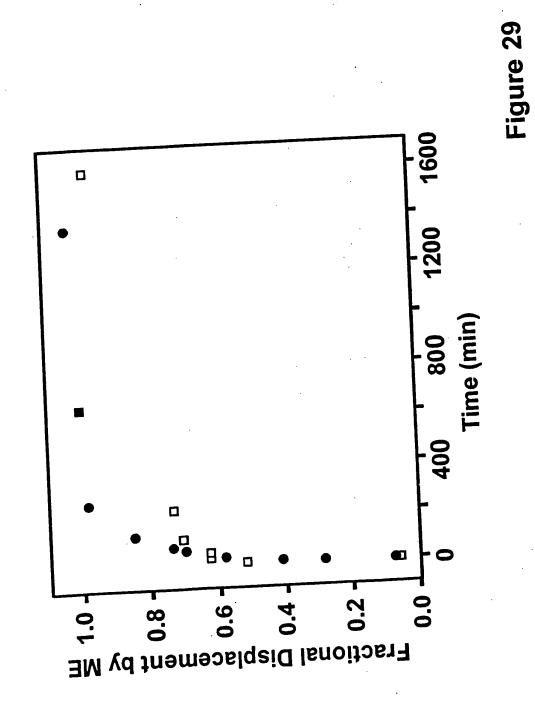
FIGURE AS B

FIG. 28C









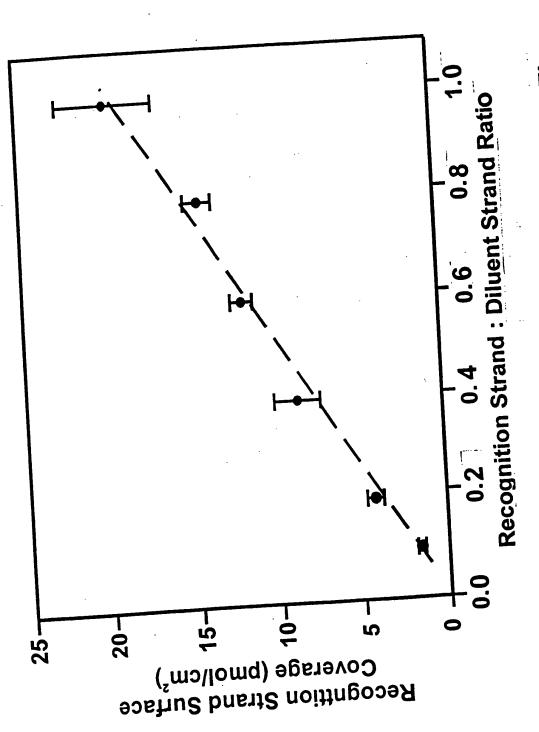


Figure 30

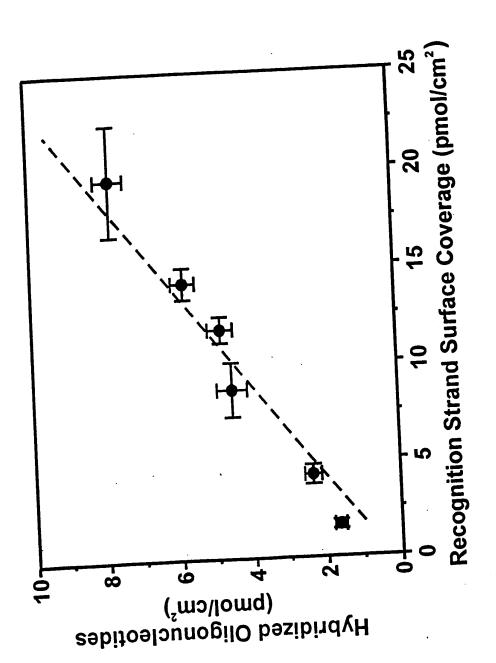


Figure 31

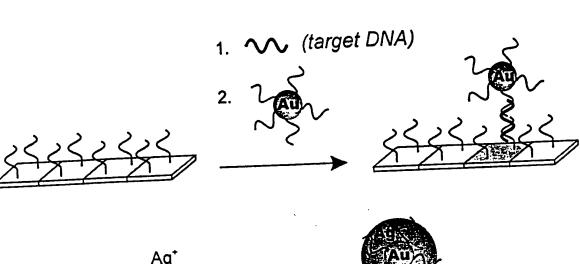
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CCT ANT AAC AAT TTA TAA CTA TTC CTA

[SEQ ID NO:57] [SEQ ID NO:58]

N = A (complementary), G,C,T (mismatched)



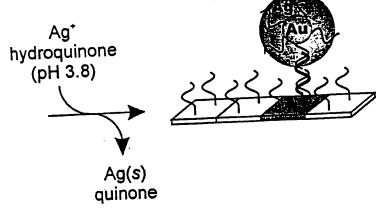


Figure 32

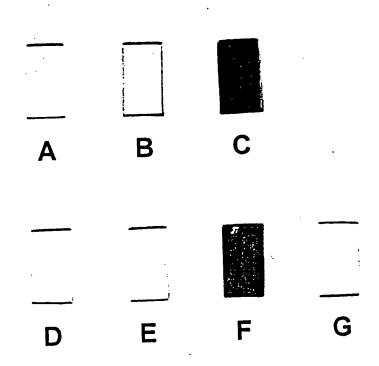
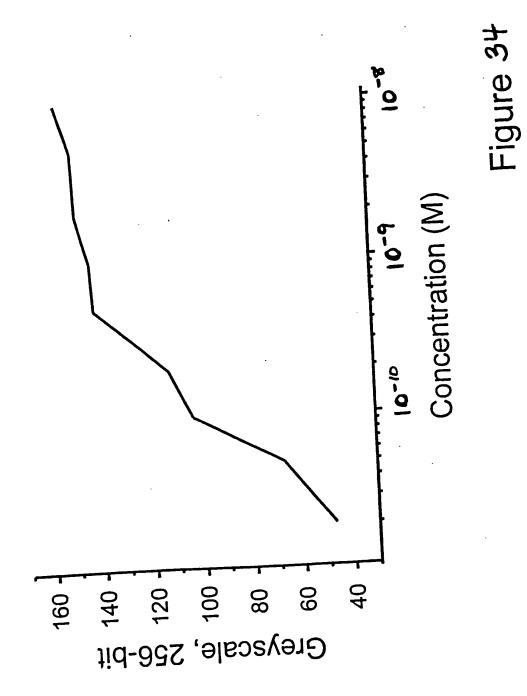


Figure 33



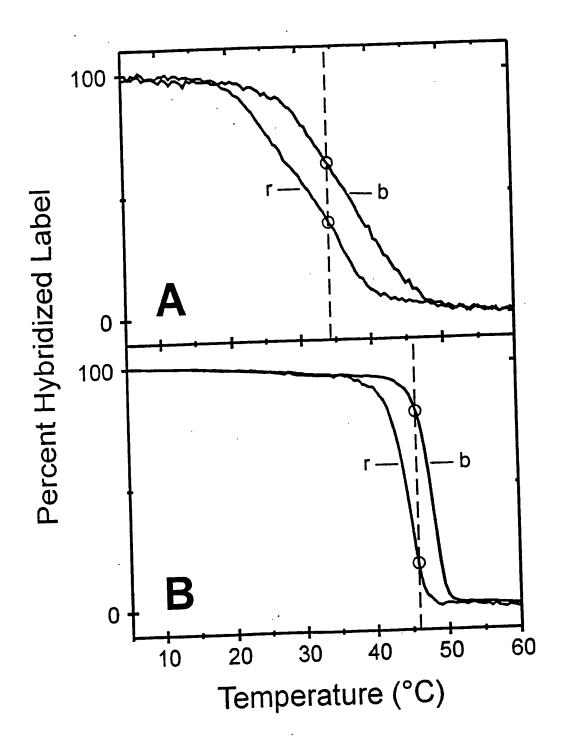
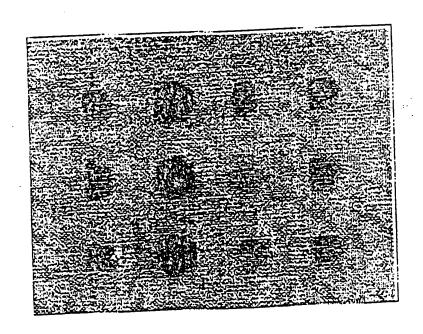
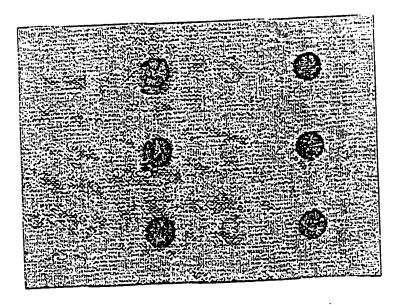


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FIG. 3/2



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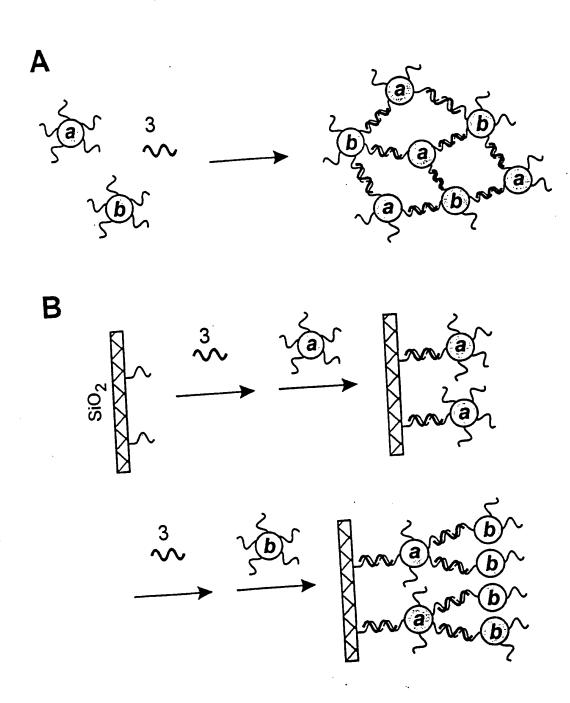


Figure 37

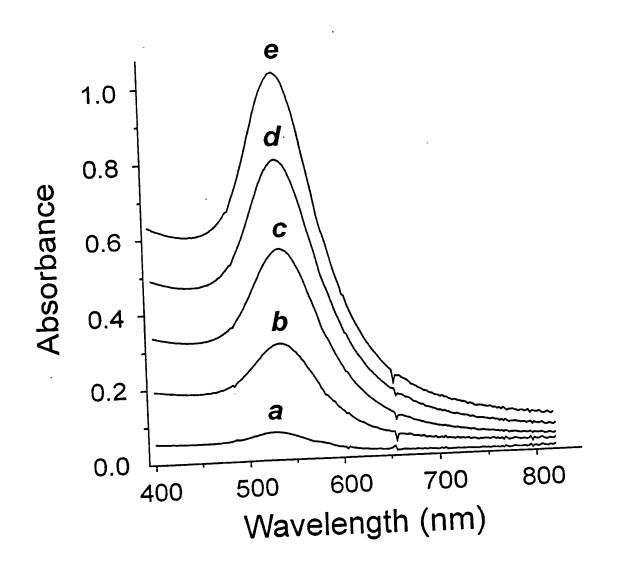


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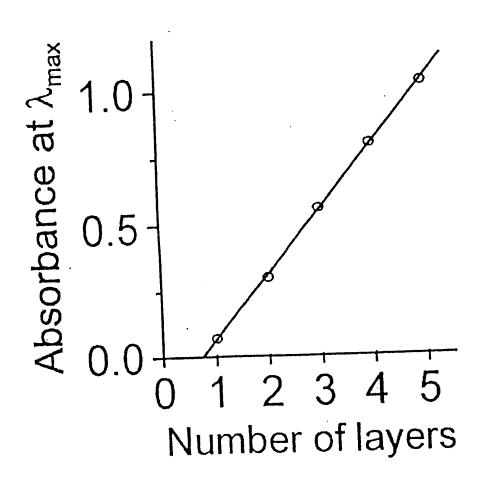


Figure 38B

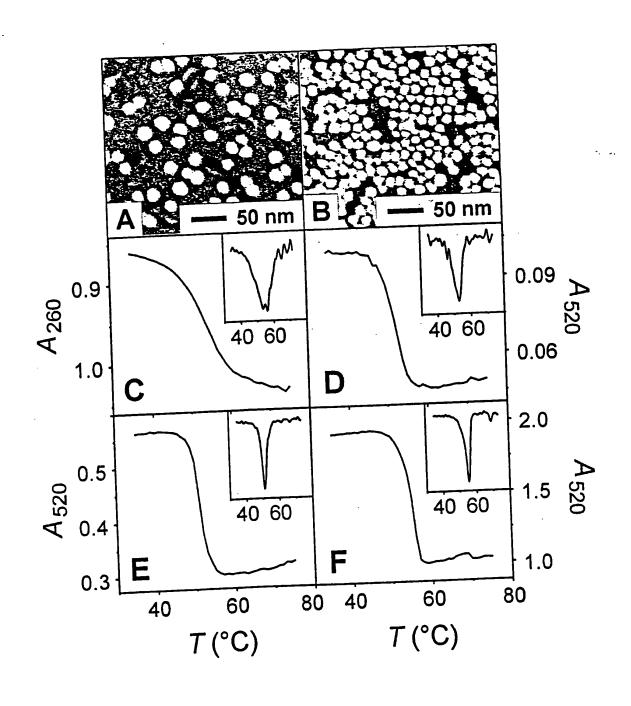
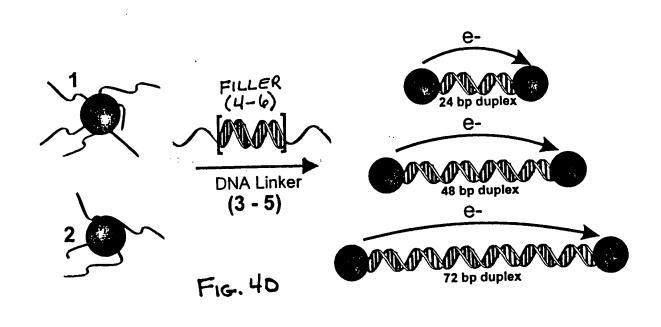


Figure 39



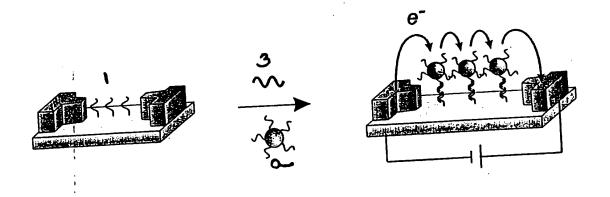


FIG. 41